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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT

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1. VASILE CONTRACT WAS EFFECTIVE ON JULY 15, 1977 AND HE ANTICI-
PATES DEPARTING POST O,A JULY 14, 1978.

2. CONSIDERING ON GOING TELECOMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATIONS WITH
NEW EQUIPMENT AND THE INSTALLATION AND UPDATING OF PREVIOSULY
EXISTING SOUTHCOM EQUIPMENT MISSION FORSEES NEED FOR TELCOM-
MUNICATIONS SPECIALIST FOR A MINIMUN OF 9 MONTHS AFTER JULY, 1978.
ASSUMING PROCUREMENT OF ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT AND EXPANSION OF
DNSP REGIONAL OFFICES, SUBJECT TO FINDINGS OF ON GOING PROJECT
EVALUATION, NEED FOR CONTRACT SERVICES WILL CONTINUE THROUGH
JUNE, 1979.

3. TECHNICAL CAPABILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR, JOSEPH A. VASILE,
IS EXCELLENT AND MISSION IS COMPLETELY SATISFIED WITH HIS SERVICES.
A SIX MONTH CONTRACT EVALUATION REPORT WAS RECENTLY SUBMITTED
THROUGH THE AID ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.

4. MISSION IS AWARE OF VASILE'S WISH TO RENEW HIS CONTRACT
BUT ASSIGNED TO PERU AND BE AVAILABLE FOR TDY TO BOLIVIA
AS NEEDED. HE STATES HE IS SCHEDULED TO MAKE A PHONE CALL
TO HOWARD GROOM, S/NM ON MAY 2, 1978 TO DISCUSS RENEWAL OF
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HIS CONTRACT.

5. MISSION BELIEVES DEPARTMENT'S CONSIDERATION OF A REGIONAL
APPROACH TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WHICH WOULD MAKE
THEM AVAILABLE TO THE FOUR MAJOR COUNTRIES IS EXCELLENT.

6. ALTHOUGH LA PAZ COULD BE JUSTIFIED AS THE BASE FOR

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REGIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WE APPRECIATE VASILE'S
PERSONAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND WOULD WANT HIM TO CONTINUE SERVIC-
ING THIS AREA AS HE IS FAMILIAR WITH OUR NEEDS AND PROBLEMS.
ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE TECHNICIAN WILL BE BASED IN LIMA,
MISSION ANTICIPATES MINIMUN NEED FOR HIS ERVICES OF FROM
10-15,DAYS A MONTH FOR THE 12 MONTH PERIOD AFTER JULY, 1978.
CONSIDERING ROUND TRIP TRAVEL LIMA-LA PAZ, PER DIEM AND THE
PSSIBILITY THAT THE BOGOTA BASE TECHNICAIN WOULD OCCASIONALLY
COME TO LA PAZ, MISSION REQUESTS AN ALLOTMENT OF TEN THOUSAND
DOLLARS FOR THIS PURPOSE AFTER JULY, 1978.

7. EMBASSY GLADLY GRANTS AUTHORITY TO S/NM TECHNICAL SERICES
DIVISION TO PREPARE PIO/T DOCUMENTATIONAND COORDINATE ALL OF
THE CONTRACTING PROCESS.
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